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RIVERBEND ELEMENTARY





Holiday Giving Tree

We will continue to collect non-perishable food items until Monday, December 12th. Riverbend participates in the Evergreen White Christmas Food Drive every year, and our students have already brought in many cans to kick off our giving campaign this year! Thank you for your support as we encourage our students to get in the giving spirit by bringing in cans! The class that brings in the most cans will receive a hot chocolate party to celebrate.

Upcoming Dates to Remember!

- December 6-9th: 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Reading and Math 18-Week Testing
- Monday, December 12th: Last Day for Christmas Canned Food Drive
- December 13-14th: 5th Grade Science 18-Week Testing
- Wednesday, December 21st: 1st, 3rd, and 5th Grade Writer's Celebration and Christmas Lunch
- Friday, December 23rd: 12:30 Dismissal, NO Afterschool
- December 26th- January 6th: No School, Holiday Break
- Monday, January 9th: 1st Day Back for Students



Christmas Writer's Celebration

1st Grade, 3rd Grade, and 5th Grade Families are invited to come to celebrate your child's writing and enjoy a Christmas meal with your child on Wednesday, December 21st!

Writing is such an important part of your child's learning and we can't wait to offer you some tips for supporting writing at home!

1st Grade:

- Eller's Writing Celebration begins at 10:55 (lunch immediately following)
- Sutton's Writing Celebration begins at 11:05 (lunch immediately following)

3rd Grade:

- Carter's Writing Celebration begins at 10:20 (lunch immediately following)
- Reilly's Writing Celebration begins at 10:30 (lunch immediately following) 5th Grade:
- Eckard's Writing Celebration begins at 11:30 (lunch immediately following)
- Landt's Writing Celebration begins at 11:40 (lunch immediately following)



Please return the RSVP card by December 13th, so our cafeteria staff can prepare! Christmas lunch is \$5 per guest, to be paid the day of the event. Lunch includes ham or turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, a roll, dessert, and a drink.

18 Week Benchmark Assessments

Our 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Students will be taking 18 Week Benchmark Assessments this month.

- December 6-9th: 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Reading and Math Assessments
- December 13-14th: 5th Grade Science Assessment

Our teachers will use these assessments to monitor grade-level Reading, Math, and Science standards. The information obtained from these formative assessments will help your child's teacher navigate individual progress through guided instruction and the implementation of interventions and/or enrichment.

Please help us by encouraging your child to put forth his or her best effort for these assessments. Make sure that your child is well-rested, eats a nutritious breakfast, and arrives to school on time.

Our La Tee Da Candles are scheduled to be delivered the second week of December. We will alert you when they are here and available for pickup!

